

**Board of Trustee Workshop Meeting
February 24, 2009**

The Board of Trustees for the Village of Cold Spring held a workshop meeting on Tuesday, February 24, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. at Village Hall, 85 Main Street, Cold Spring, NY.

Attending: Mayor Anthony Phillips and Trustees: Edward T. Mancari, John Teagle, Gordon Robertson, and Seth J. Gallagher

Also present: Elizabeth Duffy-Rau, of Putnam County Purchasing and representative for the Main Street partnering project, Christopher Lucas, Landscape Architect and Jackson Wandres, Transportation Planner of the RBA firm

Members of the Public: Karen Dunn, Carol Casparian, Roberta Shayo, Michael and Elizabeth Armstrong, George Kane, Officer in Charge of the Cold Spring Police, Ann Chestnut and Michael Mell for the PCN&R

E. Duffy-Rau introduced a presentation on pedestrian safety that was part of a Main Street Partnering Grant with Putnam County. The RBA group of Manhattan was hired to address traffic and safety issues within several towns and villages in Putnam County. In the village, the 9D corridor from the Route 301 intersection south toward Yanitelli's plaza was identified as problematic for pedestrians. Jackson Wandres pointed out that their work was hindered by the winter weather and lack of data on pedestrian volume and traffic data. J. Wandres added that the scope of the project included observation and conceptual design recommendations but not final design. The proposed solution was creation of a pedestrian safety zone with formalized pedestrian crosswalks with faux street imprinted materials for 9D intersections. An aggressive approach recommends use of flexible delineators on the center line of the roadway that would be removed at night. At the 9D/301 intersection several options were presented including: changing the time on the traffic signal, use of a fixed- time signal with a lead time for pedestrians and a signal that would display the remaining time for crossing. Also recommended was installation of a raised sidewalk in front of Yanitelli's plaza. However, it was pointed out by Mayor Phillips that this may create a problem for delivery trucks. Members of the public expressed concern about the Morris Avenue section of Route 9D, especially in the area of Craigsides Drive and the Sunoco station. The estimated cost for this project was \$800,000 and it would be designed to last the lifecycle of the roadway.

Trustee Mancari reviewed **Resolution 2009-10** regarding budget amendments as follows: The Board of Trustees for the Village of Cold Spring hereby resolves to make the following budget adjustments for the 2008/2009 fiscal year:

From: F00-8330-413	Purification- Equipment Repair	\$1,000
To: F00-8330-490	Purification-Lab analysis	\$1,000
To: A00-2262-001	Fire Protection Service- Philipstown	\$51,188.00
To: A00-3410-200	Fire Protection Service	\$40,000
To: A00-1990-400	Contingent Account	\$11,188.00

Trustee Gallagher expressed concern about funds being placed in the contingent account and wanted assurances that monies would be dedicated to the Fireman's Service Award. After discussion, the resolution was amended to note that the monies would be moved out of the contingent account before year end and be put into fire service award and fire protective services.

Trustee Teagle moved to accept the resolution as amended and seconded by Trustee Mancari.

On roll call vote:

Trustee Mancari voting yes

Trustee Teagle voting yes

Trustee Robertson voting yes

Trustee Gallagher voting yes

Mayor Phillips voting yes.

Correspondence

Ruth L. Pierpont, Director of the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation notified the village that The Grove has been listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Mayor Phillips thanked S. Tilly's firm and The Grove Board for their work.

Putnam County Risk Management notified the village of an upcoming seminar to be held in Putnam County.

AFLAC wanted to present their insurance programs to village employees. Trustee Robertson will follow up.

The Fireman's Service Award point listing has been posted at the firehouse for the required period of thirty days. Trustee Mancari moved that the Mayor is authorized to sign the necessary forms for the Fireman's Service Award for the year 2008 and seconded by Trustee Gallagher and unanimously approved. There was discussion about the investment of these funds and Trustee Mancari offered to invite Dave Rodgers from RBC to a board meeting for discussion.

RESOLUTION NO. 2009-11

WHEREAS, the Consolidated Iron & Metal scrap yard in Newburgh, New York, is a Superfund site that is being remediated by the Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA"); and

WHEREAS, the EPA has brought a multimillion dollar lawsuit against thirteen defendants, including the City of Newburgh, the City of Poughkeepsie, Northrop

Grumman Ship Systems and Connell Ltd Partnership seeking to recover the cost of remediating the Consolidated Iron & Metal scrap yard; and

WHEREAS, the defendants in the said lawsuit have settled the case with the EPA and are now asserting contribution claims against Potentially Responsible Parties ("PRPs") who disposed of or may have disposed of hazardous materials at the Consolidated Iron & Metal scrap yard; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Cold Spring has been identified as a PRP and has received a demand for payment of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) in settlement of the potential contribution claim against it; and

WHEREAS, subject to the terms of a confidentiality agreement, the Village has reached an agreement for payment of a mutually acceptable settlement amount with the representatives of the Consolidated Iron & Metal scrap yard defendants;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. That the Village Board does hereby consent to settlement of the claims asserted against the Village of Cold Spring arising out of the Consolidated Iron & Metal scrap yard Superfund clean up for the aforesaid confidential mutually acceptable settlement amount; and

2. Subject to review and approval by the Village Board of the finalized settlement documents, the Village Board does hereby authorize the Mayor to execute any and all documents necessary to effect the said settlement.

Trustee Seth Gallagher presented the foregoing resolution which was seconded by Trustee Gordon Robertson,

The vote on the foregoing resolution was as follows:

Edward T. Mancari, Trustee, voting Yes

Seth Gallagher, Trustee, voting Yes

John Teagle, Trustee, voting Yes

Gordon R. Robertson, Trustee, voting Yes

Anthony Phillips, Mayor, voting Yes.

Approval of Bills -Trustee Mancari moved that the audited bills with check numbers 16741 to 16768 be approved for payment and seconded by Trustee Robertson and unanimously approved.

Officer in Charge George Kane discussed an agreement with the Putnam County Sheriff to detain pre-arraigned individuals. After discussion, Officer Kane recommended proceeding with the agreement.

Resolution 2009-12

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WHEREAS, from time to time the Village of Cold Spring Police Department is unable to immediately present arrested individuals for arraignment before a Judge; and

WHEREAS, detention of pre-arraigned individuals for extended periods of time presents practical difficulties for the Village of Cold Spring Police Department including, but not limited to, assignment of a police officer to maintain custody of the arrested individual or individuals; and

WHEREAS, Putnam County has offered to enter into an Inter-municipal Agreement with the Village of Cold Spring under which the Putnam County Sheriff will provide facilities for detention of pre-arraigned individuals for the Village of Cold Spring Police on an as-needed basis; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board finds that it is in the best interests of the Village to enter into the proposed Inter-municipal agreement for provision of detention services by the Putnam County Sheriff;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

That the Village Board does hereby authorize the Mayor to execute an Inter-municipal Agreement in substantial compliance with the form attached hereto on behalf of the Village.

Trustee Mancari presented the foregoing resolution which was seconded by Trustee Seth Gallagher. The vote on the foregoing resolution was as follows:

Edward T. Mancari, Trustee voting yes

Seth Gallagher, Trustee, voting yes

John Teagle, Trustee, voting yes

Gordon R. Robertson, Trustee voting yes

Anthony Phillips voting yes.

Officer Kane also asked the board to consider an inter-municipal agreement with Putnam County for use of a Stop DWI vehicle. Putnam County has purchased this vehicle that is equipped with a license plate reader. The vehicle will be shared by municipalities within Putnam County and rotated for a period of one month for the cost of \$1.00. The village would only be responsible for gasoline, as maintenance would be handled by Putnam County. The vehicle is not intended for twenty- four hour use but could be used as an extra patrol during busy periods, as its use is targeting toward DWI or drugs. Officer Kane commented that adequate funds are in the current budget to handle the additional patrol. Officer Kane will meet with representatives to obtain additional information and will return to the board.

Trustee Robertson asked the board to consider adding a subcommittee to the Recreation Commission, composed of two members of the Tot's Park group. The committee would assist the Recreation Board with regards to the Tot's Park and would allow the Tot Park's group to be eligible for insurance to cover fundraising events. The board asked S. Etta, Chair of the Recreation Commission to attend the next workshop to discuss.

Mayor Phillips commented that he received notification from Central Hudson that Hess Corporation will be providing services to the village. As no agreement is in place, Central Hudson will be notified to continue their services. Trustee Gallagher expressed dissatisfaction with Hess Corporation and preferred to deal with MEGA. He will be sending a letter to Hess stating that they have not been responsive.

Trustee Robertson again brought up the issue of raising the Mayor's salary and offsetting this increase by decreasing the Trustees' salary. He wanted the issue addressed now (prior to the village election) as the position is grossly underfunded and in the future the village may need to attract additional talent to the Mayor position. Trustee Gallagher didn't think the Trustee salary should be decreased and saw this as a step backward. Trustee Mancari commented that his time and expertise is valuable and agrees that the position of Mayor should be increased but in the current economic climate he couldn't support any increase this year. Trustee Teagle didn't want to affect the taxpayer but thought that the board may be able to rework the dispersion. Trustee Robertson commented that (the board) would need to scour the budget to adequately compensate the position of Mayor.

Trustee Teagle moved to enter into executive session to discuss a police personnel matter and seconded by Trustee Mancari and unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted, Mary Saari, Village Clerk